

Small Group Discussion Questions

Saluda County

What is occurring in your community which addresses these responsibilities and areas for action?

- DRAKITS(Balanced literacy) –Hear appropriate read alouds
- Scheduling (driven by assessment and instruction)
- Materials (top notch)
- Professional development (sustained)
- Writing scores (top notch)
- Teacher recruitment out of state
- ESOL students intense focus on English
- Project STAR/Project RED (Reduced GAP)
- Established level of trust (ESOL)

What are the critical barriers to fulfilling the commitment in your community?

- Assessment results get to schools too late
- NO carrot-only a whip
- Teacher retention
- SDE Support/disconnected
- Hispanic issue-effects support of schools
- NO industry
- NO luxury apartments

List the 5 most important things your community can do to address the responsibilities of Common Ground.

- Keeping good relationships; developing trust
- Work on small businesses/ utilities to help with teacher retention
- Recruit industry

List the 5 most important things you as an individual can do to address the responsibilities of Common Ground.

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